THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) to (e) According to DESU, the. process of disconnection of supply to a surrendered Government accommodation is normally completed in two days time subject to receipt °f formal request from the outgoing allottee and payment of the final bill by him. However, any specific case of undue delay in disconnecting the supply of a surrendered Government accommodation can be looked into by DESU.

Tehri Hyde] Project

956. SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Tehri Hydro Development Corpora'ic.i has been given sanction of funds to proceed ahead with the construction work of the Tehri Dam and other jobs related to the project;

(b) if not, at what stage of consideration the project is at present and *by,* when it is likely to be cleared; and

(c) whether earlier objections and, conditions laid down by various Government agencies, and advisory bodies regarding safety of the Dam, ecological aspects and rehabilitation of the probably oustees have withdrawn or not?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) and (b) A proposal for resuming work on the Tehri project and sanction of funds from Plan resources for execution of essential works during the current working season is under the active consideration of Central Government. Simultaneously, due to the non-availability of Soviet assistance, alternate source of funding is" also being explored.

(c) Government has through several Committees, Experts of International repute and specialised agencies examined the safety of the Tehri Dam due to its location in a seismic area and have ful-ly established the safety or the Tehri Dam. The Project has also received clearance from ecological and rehabilitation aspects subject to implementation of conditions laid down by the Ministry of Environment and Forests.

Funds sanctioned for Tehri Hydro Development Corporation

957. SHRI JAGDISH PRASAD MATHUR: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the year-wise amount sanctioned by the Central Government for Tehri Hydro Development Corporation during the last three years;

(b) whether the amount so sanctioned was fully utilised by the Corporation, if not the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether the amount was withheld, if so, the year-wise deaths thereof and also the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRI P. V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) to (c) The information is as under:—

(Rs, in crores)

S.No.	Year	Central Budget Allocation	Funds released to THDC	Funds Utilised by THDC	Reasons for variation
1	1990-91	168	168	169.16	..
2	1991-92	170	83.55	79.00	On account of disintegration of the Soviet Union, Soviet Credit for the Project through the Budget was not available. THDC could not utilise funds as substantia, amount was released after identifying savings from other sources on 31-3-92.
3	1992-93	50	43	79.89	The spill-over of the funds available from the previous year were spent on various activities.